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Dear Ron:

Sorry we haven't been able to reach each other by telephone. I wanted to update you on my meeting with Wayne Bliss at his office two weeks ago.

As per our conversation, I discussed with Wayne the need for establishing ambient radon sampling and indoor radon sampling in Paguate Village. The suggestion that the Pueblo purchase sampling equipment does not make good sense at this time and I proposed that EPA provide the Pueblo with both sampling equipment and analytical services on loan for a specified period of time. This loan period should be for a minimum of one year at which time it could be decided if further information was necessary prior to reclamation activities. The Pueblo would then probably be in the position of scoping the reclamation activities to include on-going sampling and analytical work both during and post-reclamation.

Wayne agreed that he would look favorably on such a request and would also be able to provide the necessary training of a tribal representative to operate and maintain the equipment. This should provide the tribe with the expertise and equipment to collect radiation information that will be useful in determining the status of existing conditions compared with past data collected by EPA, both of which together should be adequate for pre-reclamation levels. This data will be valuable in evaluating comparative radiation levels as reclamation proceeds.

I would recommend a letter to Wayne requesting the ambient radon sampling equipment, the indoor radon sampling equipment (RPISU), and the opportunity to train a tribal member to operate and maintain the equipment as well as assistance in establishing sampling locations and frequencies.

If we can be of further assistance in the radiation area, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Director of Technical Services

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cc: Governor Vincenti Pedro, Sr.

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cc: ✓ Mr. John Blueyes